GILPIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2019

The Gilpin County Planning Commission convened at the Gilpin County Courthouse, 203 Eureka Street, Central City, Colorado

Call to Order: Chair Laura Jeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Quorum Call:

- Present: Chair Laura Jeney, Chair Pro-Tem Jim Wailes, Bob Haxel, Jane Billings, Andrea Wrobel, Joe Marr, and Roxy Goss
- Absent: Rob Mercier
- · Staff Present: Tami Archer, Secretary; Daniel Horn, County Planner

Agenda Review: Commissioner Wailes moved to have Chair Jeney preside over the meeting, as her term as Chair had expired, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Marr. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Wailes moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Haxel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: The minutes from the December 11, 2018 meeting were discussed. Commissioner Haxel moved to approve the minutes as presented, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Goss. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

A. SUR 18-05 - Eldora Ski Resort Expansion

Brent Tregaskis, the President and General Manager for Eldora, gave a brief recap of their application. He noted that there had been a timeline impact due to the Federal government shutdown, but he indicated they were mostly still on track. They were waiting for a final decision of record from the Forest Service on the Jolly Jug lift application. Acting Chair Jeney noted that a copy of the decision would be needed as a condition of approval. Mr. Tregaskis indicated that the approval could come as soon as March.

Commissioner Billings noted that the plans include a composting toilet located in Gilpin County. She suggested they explore other options due to winter weather considerations. Planner Horn noted that Gilpin County only allowed a seasonal use of 90 days for composting toilets. He suggested Eldora explore the option of a full on-site wastewater treatment system. He also suggested that all options were explored, so they could be included in the presentation to the Board of County Commissioners.

Planner Horn recapped the staff report. He noted that the wording regarding traffic considerations had been updated. He also noted that we had a copy of the Toll conservation easement, but it was filed in Boulder County. It has been vetted and appears to complement our Master Plan.

Acting Chair Jeney asked if the agreement with the Tolls allowed for emergency responder access across their property. Mr. Tregaskis indicated that any emergency response would likely come from the Boulder County side. Planner Horn noted Director Strohminger had reached out to Timberline Fire Chief Ondr to see if they had any concerns. He was still waiting for a response. Acting Chair Jeney suggested that the response from Timberline be added as a condition of approval. Commissioner Wailes noted that The Tolls are paying the Timberline mill levy.

Acting Chair Jeney opened the Public Hearing at 7:21. There were no members of the public present to speak, and she closed the hearing at 7:22.

Acting Chair Jeney asked for a recommendation to give the Board of County Commissioners. There was some additional discussion regarding an environmental impact statement, but it was noted the majority of the impact would be felt in Boulder County. Commissioner Haxel moved to recommend conditional approval of the proposal to the Board of County Commissioners with two conditions, including a copy of the record decision from the Forest Service and a copy of the statement from Timberline Fire Protection District. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wailes, and it passed unanimously.

New Business:

A. Election of Chair and Chair Pro-Tem for 2019

Acting Chair Jeney turned the meeting over to Commissioner Wailes. Commissioner Haxel nominated Acting Chair Jeney to another term, and the nomination was seconded by Commissioner Marr. The motion passed unanimously. The commissioners thanked newly re-elected Chair Jeney for her on-going service to the commission. Commissioner Wailes turned the meeting over to Chair Jeney, and she asked for nominations for Chair Pro-Tem. Commissioner Goss nominated Commissioner Wailes, and the nomination was seconded by Commissioner Haxel. The motion passed unanimously.

B. By-Laws Review

Chair Jeney reported that she met with the Board of County Commissioners regarding a revision of the current by-laws, and they wanted the Planning Commission to come up with recommended revisions. They indicated that they like the Central City Planning Commission's current version, and they suggested that be used as guidelines. There was discussion on several points, including conflict of interest, presiding chair, quorum numbers, attendance including non-performance of duties and disruptive behavior, and a definition of meeting continuance. Chair Jeney indicated she would spend some time writing suggested clarifications and modifications, and she would have her revisions ready to be looked at in February.

C. Public Comment - none

Staff Updates:

There was some discussion regarding the wildfire escape route project that is on-going in La Chula Vista Ranch.

Adjourn: Commissioner Marr moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m., and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Haxel. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Azevedo Jenev

Chair